



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 4661**  
Kenji TAGAWA et al. : Docket No. 2000\_1199A  
Serial No. 09/653,416 : Group Art Unit 2131  
Filed August 31, 2000 : Examiner Edel H. Quinones

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, SEMICONDUCTOR  
MEMORY CARD, RECEIVING APPARATUS,  
COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING  
MEDIUM AND RECEIVING METHOD

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

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**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 2, 2004, having a three (3) month shortened-statutory period for response set to expire July 2, 2004, a petition for a one (1) month extension of time up to and including August 2, 2004, being filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows: